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TO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGEN

SUBJECT: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADOR: KENYA

REF: STATE 202267

1. FOLLOWING ARE DRAFT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES DISCUSSED IN  
REF MESSAGE. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS AND REVISION  
NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6.

I. MAINTENANCE OF A STABLE KENYA HOSPITABLE TO US INTERESTS  
AND PRESENCE:

-- INSURE THAT PLANNED AND DELIVERED US DEVELOPMENT  
ASSISTANCE IS WITHIN KENYAN CAPACITY TO ABSORB SUCH  
ASSISTANCE.

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-- INSURE SMOOTH IMPLEMENTATION OF US ASSISTANCE TO  
KENYA'S DEFENSE MODERNIZATION/UPGRADING PROGRAM, AND  
APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION OF ANY FURTHER  
KENYAN REQUESTS;

-- MAINTAIN CONTACTS WITH THE PRINCIPAL CONTENDERS FOR  
THE SUCCESSION TO PRESIDENT KENYATTA, WHILE AVOIDING

BECOMING IDENTIFIED AS SUPPORTING ANY ONE FACTION;

-- EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR KENYA'S RECORD OF SUCCESSFUL  
NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON THE BASIS OF A MARKET ECONOMY AND  
A REPRESENTATIVE POLITICAL SYSTEM;

-- AS APPROPRIATE, ENCOURAGE CONTINUED RESPECT FOR  
HUMAN RIGHTS AND FURTHER PROGRESS IN THIS FIELD.

II. CONTINUATION OF US MILITARY ACCESS TO KENYA'S PORTS  
AND AIRFIELDS.

-- INSURE THAT THE VISIT PROGRAM IS WELL COORDINATED  
WITH THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT, INVOLVING COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES  
WITH THE KENYAN MILITARY WHERE APPROPRIATE, AND THAT THE  
CURRENT HOSPITABLE ATMOSPHERE FOR THE VISITS IS MAINTAINED;

-- ATTEMPT TO MINIMIZE ACTIONS WHICH WOULD CLEARLY  
ENCOURAGE EITHER NEIGHBORING STATES OR THE KENYANS TO  
INTERPRET THE VISIT PROGRAM AS REFLECTING A DIRECT US  
SECURITY COMMITMENT TO KENYA.

III. PROMOTION OF SUPPORTIVE KENYAN ATTITUDES ON FOREIGN  
POLICY ISSUES, INCLUDING MULTILATERAL QUESTIONS.

-- INSURE KENYAN UNDERSTANDING OF US POLICY OBJECTIVES  
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AND ACTIONS WITH REGARD TO AFRICAN ISSUES (PARTICULARLY  
THE HORN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA) AND US AWARENESS OF KENYAN  
INTERESTS AND PERSPECTIVES;

-- WORK CLOSELY WITH KENYA ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES OF  
PARTICULAR INTEREST TO KENYA SUCH AS LOS, COFFEE AND THE  
ENVIRONMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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